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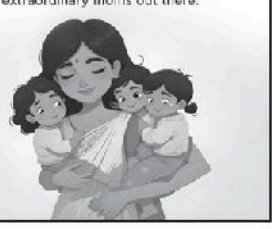

Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway NH-275

Installation of 60 AI-based cameras begins

ADGP Traffic and Road Safety Alok Kumar to inspect camera-installation works on May 13 and 14

New Artificial Intelligence-based cameras being installed along the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway at Kalasthavadi in Srirangapatna of Mandya district.

Mysuru, May 12 (MTY, VK & BCT)- Overspeeding, driving on the wrong side of Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway (Highway), violating lane discipline and wrong lane travel will be totally reduced with the deployment of over 60 Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras along National Highway-275.

National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has initiated the installation of these cameras at strategic locations on both the Bengaluru-Nidaghatta and Nidaghatta-Mysuru stretches. At regular intervals along the Highway, exclusive arches equipped with solar-powered panels have been installed to support cameras. Each side of these arches has five cameras and lane-wise speed limit indicators for enhanced surveillance.

Once the cameras are operational, violations will be automatically detected through photographs and registration number plates, enabling authorities to penalise violators with hefty fines as a deterrent against future infractions. Currently, only about five ANPR cameras are functional on that stretch.

It's worth noting that rigorous enforcement of speed limits, aided by existing ANPR cameras and penalties for offenders, has already resulted in a notable decrease in accident rates.

In early February, NHAI sanctioned the deployment of ANPR cameras, earmarking Rs. 3.63 crore for this initiative.

(See CAMERAS on page 6)

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Work on signal lights moves at snail's pace

Traffic signal lights installed at Kautilya Circle near Crawford Hall in city.

Mysuru, May 12 (RK&BCT)- The installation of traffic signal lights at 10 Circles and Junctions in the city, which had previously halted due to a lack of funds, is progressing at a sluggish pace. According to the latest updates, installation at only 6 out of 10 Circles have been completed.

(See SIGNAL on page 6)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 12th May 2024

'Jeevanotsaha Shibira' at BR Hills from May 13

Mysuru, May 12- Sri Suttur Mutt, Sri Shivarathreeshwara Religious Endowment and JSS Mahavidyapeetha have jointly organised a 'Jeevanotsaha Shibira' at Biligirirangana Betta (BR Hills) in Yelandur taluk of Chamarajanagar district from May 13 to 18.

Experts will deliver lectures on Health and Lifestyle, Karnataka Folk Culture, Life and Laughter, Positive Journalism, Cultured Life, Family Bonding, Indian Culture, Yoga, Prayer, Internet Awareness, Millets and Health, Rationale behind Vachanas and the tradition of Bhakti.

Dr. H. Basavanagowdappa, G. Mallesh, Dr. Jayalakshmi Seetapura, S. Shadakshari, Vishweshwara Bhat, Dr. Sharatchandra Swamiji, Dr. Kabbinale Vasanth Bharadwaj, Swami Veereshanandaji, Dr. S.N. Omkar, Dr. G.B. Aravind, Mahesh Tenkahalli, Shankar Devanaur and Dr. K. Anantaramu will give lectures about the said subjects at the camp.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

NEVER SAY DIE: *The saying that nothing is inevitable except death and taxes has had a postscript added to it: nothing is inevitable except death and taxes, and taxes are even more inevitable than death because you can be liable to pay them even after having kicked the bucket.*

This addendum has been occasioned by an off-the-cuff remark made by Sam Pitroda, non-resident Congress stalwart, that US, where he lives, has an inheritance tax, and implying that it might not be a bad idea for India to have one as well.

While Congress has been swift to deny any intention of reintroducing such a tax, which was abolished by Rajiv Gandhi in 1985, BJP has seized upon Sambhai's remark to use as a cudgel against the I.N.D.I.A constituent in the electoral fray.

With both sides accusing each other of harbouring covert designs to bring back inheritance tax, or estate duty, which pursues the taxpayer beyond the funeral pyre, the matter has become a literally life-and-death issue.

Many countries, including US, UK and Japan, have such a tax by which, after an individual's demise, the person's assets are subject to a government impost before being awarded to heirs.

Advocates of the tax argue that it helps in reducing economic inequality. Opponents say that it demotivates individual enterprise, which is essential for overall prosperity.

The prospect that an inheritance tax might make a backdoor entry could stimulate ingenious ways to evade it. And the most foolproof way to do so is by not dying, and becoming immortal.

Far from science fantasy, virtual immortality might in the not-distant future become technological fact.

Those who call themselves transhumanists claim that through a process of 'mind uploading' the entire cognitive functions of an individual, including speech, memory, emotions, and decision-making abilities, will be replicated in a computer programme through which people will continue to 'live' in a state of cyber-immortality after leaving their 'biological shells.'

No death, no death duty. Or as a transhumanist might put it: nothing is inevitable, not even death and taxes.

—Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

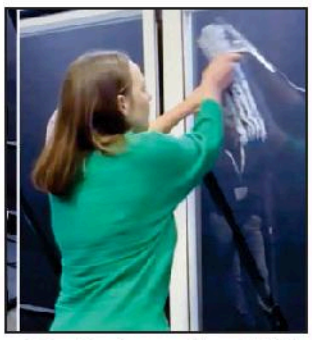
Traffic lights in the middle of the desert

Beijing: During the month of May, camel riding is such a popular pastime at the Mingsha Mountain and Crescent Spring scenic spots in China's Kumtag Desert that local authorities use camel traffic lights to avoid traffic jams.

You can find several of them in the sand dunes of the Mingsha Mountain and Crescent Lake Nature Park, in northwestern China's Gansu Province. During the annual holiday at the beginning of May, thousands of people flock to these tourist spots and engage in a variety of activities, the most popular of which is undoubtedly camel riding.

In 2023, there were around 2,400 camels available for riding, as well as tens of thousands of tourists per day at the Mingsha Mountain, which resulted in serious traffic congestion problems. Hence the authorities installed camel traffic lights.

Speedy window cleaner breaks world record



Manchester: A British woman followed her father's footsteps and broke a Guinness World Record by cleaning three office windows in 16.13 seconds.

Aliscia Burrows, 33, cleaned the three 45-inch-by-45-inch windows while competing in the Manchester Cleaning Show and ended up besting the record for fastest window cleaner (female) by .15 seconds.

Burrows doesn't work as a window cleaner, but the skill is in her blood — her father, Terry "Turbo" Burrows, is a professional cleaner who holds the male version of the record at 9.14 seconds.

"Although I've never been in the window cleaning trade, my childhood was very much involved with it," Aliscia told Guinness World Records.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Should I use a toner in summer?

During summer, our skin tends to produce a lot of oil that might clog open pores. It leads to acne and breakouts. Hence, using toners in your daily skincare routine is a must. This can tighten and minimise open pores after a gentle and purifying cleanse.

By Dr. Ravi S - Consultant - Dermatology & Cosmetologist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Seminar on 'Governance of Social Welfare' on May 14

Mysuru, May 12- Vivekananda Institute of Indian Studies (VIIS), in association with Department of Studies in Political Science and Public Administration, University of Mysore (UoM), will be conducting a seminar on 'Governance of Social Welfare' on May 14 between 10 am and 1 pm at Seminar Hall, Humanity Block, Manasagangothri.

Prof. N.T. Prabhakar, former Director, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka, will deliver the keynote address. Grassroots Research And Advocacy Movement (GRAAM) Executive Director Dr. Basavaraju R. Shresta will be present. For details, contact Mob: 70197-49163, according to a press release.

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Student: *It's because we have the same teacher!*

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NEWS BRIEFS

Shankaracharya rathotsava tomorrow

Vipra Jagruthi Vedike has organised rathotsava of Adiguru Shankaracharya as a part of Shankara Jayanthi celebrations tomorrow (May 13) at 6 pm. The grand procession will start from Avani Shankar Mutt premises in Vidyaranyapuram and pass through main thoroughfares of the area. KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa, Zilla Brahmana Sangha President D.T. Prakash and social worker Raghuram Vajapayee will take part in the event.

Mass Upanayana

Sri Vaishnava Samoohika Upanayana Samiti has organised a Mass Upanayana for Sri Vaishnava community members at Srirama Mandir in Krishnamurthypuram on June 20. Last date for registration is May 31. Call Mob: 94488-72458, 94483-30197.

IPL 2024

TODAY'S MATCHES (MAY 12)

CSK Vs **RR**
MA Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai — **3.30 pm**

RCB Vs **DC**
M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru — **7.30 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCH (MAY 13)

GT Vs **KKR**
Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad — **7.30 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

KKR - 157 / 7 (16)
BEAT
MI - 139 / 8 (16)

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[Source: www.iplt20.com]

South Teachers Constituency

Congress candidate Marithibbegowda holds meeting with party workers

Mysuru, May 12(MK&DM)- Congress candidate for the Legislative Council polls from South Teachers Constituency Marithibbegowda has appealed party workers to support him to the hilt to ensure his victory.

He was addressing a pre-election meeting of Congress Party workers at the Congress Bhavan near the City Railway station here yesterday.

Pointing out that he had worked for the cause of teachers during the four terms that he has won and he will continue to do so if re-elected, Marithibbegowda promised that he will be the voice of teachers in the Legislature.

"I have led my life based on the principles of Buddha, Dr. Ambedkar, Basava and Kuvempu. I may have changed parties, but I have not changed my personality or policies. I will file my nominations on May 14", he said and sought the full co-operation of all party workers.

Highlighting the benefits extended by the Congress Government for teachers, he said that the problems of teachers can be addressed only by the Congress Government. Maintaining that the Congress is the party of the poor, he said the Siddaramaiah Government was a model to the entire country.

South Teachers Constituency Congress candidate Marithibbegowda addressing party workers at a pre-election meeting held at Congress Bhavan here on Saturday.

N.R.MLA and KPCC Working President Tanveer Sait said that there are more than 18,000 voters in the Constituency which covers the districts of Mysuru,- Mandya, Hassan and Chamarajanagar. Asking the party workers to share poll responsibilities at the block level, he said that Marithibbegowda has a lot of experience in fighting elections and has worked for the cause of teachers and Graduates. He also told the party workers to get the electoral rolls and contact the voters through Whatsapp or messages. He also called upon party workers to get organised and launch the campaign in a co-ordinated manner.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa said that the teachers Constituency has informed voters and it is important that the Congress reaches out to them. Noting that Marithibegowda was his long term associate, he called upon the party workers to ensure the victory of Gowda.

Mysuru-Kodagu LS Constituency Congress candidate M. Lakshmana said he had contested from South Teachers Constituency as an independent candidate and lost to Marithibbegowda. Asserting that he would extend full support to Marithibbegowda now that he is contesting from the Congress party, Lakshmana expressed confidence that Gowda will win the polls hands down.

Former MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah too spoke.

MLAs K. Harishgowda and A.R. Krishnamurthy, former MLA M.K. Somashekar, KPCC Womens Wing President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, KEA Chairman Ayub Khan and others were present.

Ningaraju Gowda is NDA candidate

Mysuru, May 12 (SBD&DM)- After much deliberations with its alliance partner in the State, the JD(S), the BJP High Command, put an end to all speculations on the continuation of the alliance on Saturday by releasing the list of party candidates for Five of the Six Legislative Council seats from Teachers and Graduates Constituencies that are going to the polls on June.3.

The Legislative Council seats that are going to the polls are- Karnataka North-East Graduates, Karnataka South-West graduates, Bangalore Graduates, Karnataka South-East Teachers, Karnataka South-west Teachers and Karnataka South Teachers.

As per the list announced by the BJP High Command, E.C. Ningaraju Gowda will contest from South Teachers Constituency, which comprises the districts of Mysuru, Mandya, Hassan and Chamarajanagar. The four other party candidates are- Amarnath Patil (North-East Graduates), Dr. Dhananjaya Sarji (South-West Graduates), A. Devegowda (Bangalore Graduates) and Y.A. Narayanaswamy (South-East Teachers). The BJP has left the Karnataka South West Teachers Constituency to its alliance partner, the JD(S), with S.L. Bhojegowda being the sitting member from that party.

Ningaraju Gowda

The polls to the Six Constituencies will take place on June 3 and the counting of votes will be taken up on June 6.

Profile

Ningaraju Gowda, a native of Eeregowdanakoppalu in Pandavapura taluk of Mandya district, is a resident of Srirampura in Mysuru city. A Doctorate Degree holder in Journalism from University of Mysore, the 51-year- old Ningaraju had served as an Academic Council Member and as a Syndicate member of University of Mysore from 2019 to 2022, when the BJP Government was in power.

Ninagaraju, who also holds an M.Phil degree in Library and Information Science had served as a Librarian at Mysore Varsity's Information Science and Technology Centre from 1999 to 2008. Thereafter he served as the Chief Librarian at ATI (Administrative Training Institute) in the city from Oct.2008 to Dec.2022, before taking voluntary retirement from service.

A Vokkaliga community leader, he got engaged in party organisational activities and had helped teachers for enrolling in electoral rolls of South Teachers Constituency.

Being active in RSS and ABVP since his student days, Ningaraju had served as an office-bearer of organisations such as Vokkaliga Jagruta Vedike and Mysuru Vishwavidyanilaya Horata Samiti.

Expressing happiness about getting the party ticket, Ningaraju Gowda, who is associated with the BJP since 1994, said this is one of the many instances where ordinary party workers in the BJP get ticket for polls. Pointing out that he was happy that the Party had recognis ed him, he said he was thankful to the party leaders.

Female foeticide racket

Two more arrested

Akhilash *Kiran*

Pandavapura, May 12 (BS)- Two more accused have been arrested in the case of female foeticide racket that was busted at the staff quarters of Health and Family Welfare Department in Pandavapura, taking the total number of arrests made in the case to eight.

In a swift operation, Pandavapura Police led by Circle Police Inspector Kumar and Sub-Inspector Umesh arrested Akhilash, 23 years of Hoskote and Kiran, 35 years, of Mahadeshwarapura. Akhilash is the car driver of prime accused in the case Abhilash Gowda. While Kiran had taken his wife to the accused for aborting the foetus.

Both the accused have also been remanded to judicial custody after subjecting them to medical test.

It may be mentioned that, four accused in the case had been arrested on the day the racket was unearthed recently. Two more persons identified as Naveen of Sunka Thonnur and Abhishek Gowda of Shettahali, the prime accused in the case were arrested later.

The Police who have been suspecting the involvement of several other persons in the racket, have spread a net to apprehend them, it is said.

VOICE OF THE READER

How about Google Green Light Project for Mysuru?

Sir,

I am writing to bring your attention to the Google Green Light Project, currently being implemented in Bengaluru and to request its introduction in Mysuru.

The Google Green Light Project is a ground-breaking initiative by Google Research that leverages Artificial Intelligence (AI) to optimise traffic light timing at intersections. By reducing stop-and-go traffic, this project has the potential to lower emissions and improve traffic flow, ultimately benefiting both commuters and the environment.

As we strive towards making Mysuru carbon neutral by 2030 and net zero by 2050, initiatives like these are crucial.

Carbon neutrality by 2030 entails achieving a balance between the amount of carbon released into the atmosphere and the amount removed by that year. This involves not only reducing emissions but also employing methods such as tree planting and carbon capture technology to capture and store carbon dioxide.

Similarly, achieving net zero by 2050 means balancing the greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere with those removed by that year. Net zero travel, an integral part of this effort, involves ensuring that the emissions produced during travel are offset by measures such as choosing low-carbon transportation options like trains, buses and electric vehicles, and investing in carbon offset projects.

Given the significant contribution of the travel and tourism industry to greenhouse gas emissions, transitioning to net-zero travel is paramount for combating climate change.

In Mysuru, where the Air Quality Index currently ranges between 45-60, falling within the 'good' and 'satisfactory' category, adopting initiatives like the Google Green Light Project and transitioning to zero-emission vehicles can further enhance our environmental sustainability efforts.

I urge the stakeholders in Karnataka and Mysuru's tourism sector to join this movement and expedite the transition to zero-emission vehicles, thereby encouraging tourists to choose net-zero travel to Mysuru.

—Sanjay Kini
Mysuru
27.4.2024

Winners of GRS Fantasy Park Gold Treasure Hunt

On May 10, GRS Fantasy Park hosted an Iconic Gold Treasure Hunt to celebrate Akshaya Tritiya, a day known for new beginnings and prosperity. Participants from far and wide took part in the hunt for golden treasures. After a thrilling competition, the following winners were announced: 1. Kameshwaran; 2. Harshith Gowda; 3. Arun Elangovan; 4. Rangeela; 5. Niramal. Each winner received a gold coin to symbolise their triumph in the treasure hunt from GRS Fantasy Park Managing Director Ashwin Dange.

Repair works of cold chambers at MMC&RI mortuary on

SOM impact

Mysuru, May 12 (RK&BS)- The repair works of cold storages at the mortuary of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) that had gone defunct have finally begun.

Following a report published in *Star of Mysore* dated May 9, 2024 under the headline ***"Dead Cold Chambers at Mortuary Raise A Stink,"*** Dean and Director of MMC&RI Dr. K.R. Dakshayani has instructed the experts and engineers to take up the repair works.

Of the three cold storages, the repair works of one storage has been completed and will be operational while the repair works of two more storage units will be taken up to facilitate their functioning in a day or two, as informed by Mortuary Supervisor.

Even though the cold storages became non-operational in January, the authorities concerned didn't take any step to repair them, despite making umpteen requests to them. Following this, the dead bodies kept in the cold storages were producing pungent smell and also started decomposing, affecting the autopsy procedure too.

MRPL gets new Executive Director (Refinery)

B. Sudarshan

Mysuru, May 12- B. Sudarshan has been appointed as Executive Director (Refinery) of **Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd. (MRPL).**

He previously held the Group General Manager - Marketing Projects office and was head of MRPL's Bengaluru Office.

A native of Mysuru, Sudarshan is an alumnus of Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE).

He has three decades of rich experience in the Fertilisers, Chemicals and Refining and Petrochemicals Sector.

MRPL is a Mangaluru-based schedule 'A' Miniratna, Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) under the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas.

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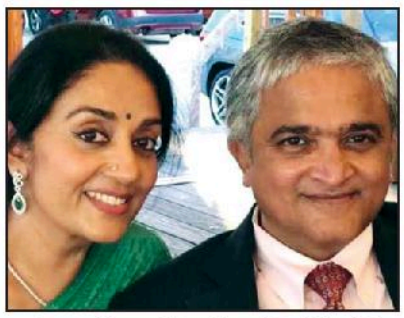
BITS Pilani Endowment Fund gets three million dollars from alumni

Mysurean Sid Mookerji donates to support deep-tech research innovation and entrepreneurship at BITS

Sophie Mookerji and Sid Mookerji



Anuradha and Prashanth Palakurthi

Chaitanya Kalipatnapu

New Delhi, May 12 (Agencies)- The alumni of Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS) in Pilani, Rajasthan, Anuradha and Prashanth Palakurthi (1978 batch), Sid Mookerji (Batch 1989) and Chaitanya Kalipatnapu (Batch 1998), have pledged one million dollars each to the BITS Endowment Fund, as announced in a press release from the institute.

The Mookerji Foundation, established by BITS alumnus Sid Mookerji and his wife, Sophie Mookerji, has committed one million dollars to support entrepreneurship development initiatives, particularly the expansion of the Ph.D DRIVE (Deep-tech Research Innovation and Value Generation Entrepreneurship) programme.

Sid Mookerji, hailing from Mysuru, is renowned as a trailblazer in Retail Innovation. He is the Founder and Managing Partner of Silicon Road Ventures, a leading force in shaping the future of global commerce.

Sid and Sophie Mookerji founded Software Paradigms International (SPI) in Mysuru, a company that grew to be a provider of information technology and back-office services for major retailers. They nurtured the company from its inception, leveraging technology to address corporate challenges. After more than two decades as SPI proprietors, the entrepreneurs sold the company in 2015.

"BITS Pilani is not only my alma mater but also a global leader in technology education with tangible real-world impact. Sophie and I selected BITS for our contribution because of its dedication to fostering entrepreneurship, a primary objective of our Foundation," Sid Mookerji said, as per the press release.

"BITS alumni have launched over 6,400 successful companies, many achieving unicorn and decacorn status. BITS Pilani is at the forefront of empowering entrepreneurs not only to establish enterprises but also to equip them with the tools for sustained success. We are thrilled to be part of this narrative in the years ahead," he added.

Prashanth Palakurthi and Anuradha's latest commitment follows their significant prior donation of one million dollars, which established the Anuradha and Prashanth Palakurthi Centre for Artificial Intelligence Research (APPCAIR) in 2018.

Prashanth Palakurthi, a technology entrepreneur and philanthropist based in the US, also serves as the Chairperson of the 'Giving Back Fund.' Anuradha is the founder of Juju Productions. Through their extensive philanthropic endeavours, the couple positively impacts countless lives.

Chaitanya Kalipatnapu, co-founder of Eruditus Group, a prominent player in global professional education, has showcased his unwavering commitment to enhancing his alma mater. His contribution signifies the enduring impact that BITS Pilani has had on shaping successful individuals across diverse fields.

Work on signal lights

The newly-installed traffic signal lights at Deve Gowda Circle.

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Officials and engineers from the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) informed *Star of Mysore* yesterday that they are aiming to finish the remaining four Circles and Junctions within the next week or so.

This development comes after a report in *SOM* on Feb. 24, 2024, highlighted the project delay caused by a funding shortage. Prompted by the report, MCC authorities expedited the installation works starting from Feb. 25. However, despite efforts, only six installations have been completed thus far — till May 11, leaving four pending.

The City Traffic Police had proposed the installation of 10 traffic signals at various key junctions including RTO Circle, Agrahara Circle, Kautilya Circle, Rajarajeshwarinagar Circle, J.P. Nagar Junction (Akkamahadevi Road), Deve Gowda Circle, Sathagalli Depot Junction, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage Ring Road (Basavanahalli Junction), Hinkal Ring Road Junction, and Nazarbad Circle.

As of now, the works at Agrahara Circle, Rajarajeshwarinagar Circle, J.P. Nagar Junction (Akkamahadevi Road), Deve Gowda Circle, Sathagalli Depot Junction and Vijayanagar Fourth Stage Ring Road (Basavanahalli Junction) have been completed.

However, the installation of solar panels to provide continuous electricity supply to the lights is pending. This task will be undertaken once all the signal lights are operational, according to officials.

According to the Traffic Police, the new initiative aims to streamline traffic and reduce accident rates, but it requires cooperation from the public in adhering to traffic rules. In addition to the regular traffic, there has been a notable increase in traffic density due to a surge in the number of vehicles, including public and private vehicles such as autorickshaws, taxis, cabs and private buses.

The rise of e-commerce has further exacerbated the situation, with a growing number of delivery boys using two-wheelers to transport various goods, including food, vegetables, garments and electronic products, directly to consumers' doorsteps.

Currently, there are 52 traffic signals strategically positioned to regulate vehicle movements across different areas of the city. With the addition of 10 more signal lights, the total count will increase to 62, further enhancing traffic management and safety measures within the city.

Installation of 60 AI-based cameras begins

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These cameras are tailored to capture a range of traffic violations, including overspeeding, lane discipline violations, wrong-side manoeuvres and enforcing a strict ban on two- and three-wheelers.

The NHAI had actually intended to complete the ANPR camera installation by the end of April but got delayed. To execute this initiative, Tecsidel India Pvt. Ltd., based in Gurugram, Haryana, has been entrusted with the task of providing the Video Incident Detection and Enforcement System (VIDES).

Each camera is fitted with solar panels to supply power to the cameras and the lane-wise speed limit indicators.

ADGP visit

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) - Traffic & Road Safety, Alok Kumar, disclosed that the installation of cameras was scheduled for completion by the end of April.

"Work is currently underway, although the vendor's timeline is causing some delays. Efforts are being made to expedite the implementation of the system. As of now, the precise number of cameras to be installed on the Highway is not available, but progress is being made on the project," he added.

The ADGP mentioned that he plans to inspect the camera installations on May 13 (Monday) and May 14 (Tuesday) to evaluate the quality of work and other relevant aspects. On May 13, his inspection will focus on the Bengaluru-Nidaghatta stretch, while on May 14, he will assess the installations along the Nidaghatta-Mysuru stretch.

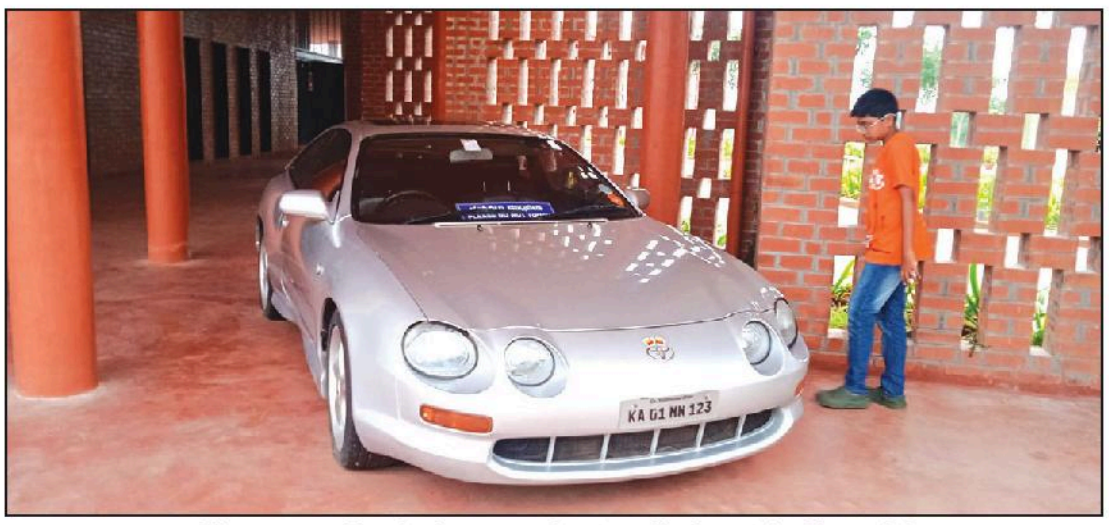
"The existing cameras are functioning effectively, identifying overspeeding vehicles and imposing penalties," Alok Kumar noted. "The introduction of new cameras at regular intervals will enhance this process and promote better traffic management. We have both ANPR cameras and radar-embedded cameras to bolster enforcement measures."

NHAI is also undertaking civil works, including installing signboards and crash barriers near Maddur in Mandya and Channapatna in Ramanagara, particularly in areas where road undulations heighten the risk of road accidents.

Vishnu Memorial emerges as prime tourist destination

Officials deny any lack of maintenance of the facility that opened door in January 2023

The pond with metal made kadaga in the centre at Dr. Vishnuvardhan Memorial in Mysuru.



The car used by the late actor, kept on display at the Memorial.

Mysuru, May 12 (PM&BS)- Dr. Vishnuvardhan Memorial (Vishnu Memorial) at Halalu village near Udbur Gate on Mysuru-H.D. Kote Road on the outskirts has emerged as a major tourist attraction, adding to the list of tourist spots in the district.

In January 2023, the Memorial of renowned Sandalwood actor late Vishnuvardhan was built on a vast expanse of five acres of land at an estimated cost of Rs. 11 crore. The Department of Information and Public Relations was handed over the task of its maintenance, following its inauguration.

Following the photos that were shared on a section of social media complaining about the sorry state of affairs at the Memorial due to lack of maintenance, *Star of Mysore* correspondent visited the spot, only to find the complaints as misleading without any substantiating proof. The officials also denied any dereliction of duty on their part. Barring the instances of concrete flaking out at places, there was nothing major to ruminate about the Memorial.

Vijayanand, Assistant Director of Department of Information and Public Relations, who is also the Member-Secretary of Vishnuvardhan Pratishtana said "As part of regular maintenance works, the cleaning of the pond at the Memorial was taken up, as in the wake of recent rainfall, dust had settled in the water. With the pond exposed to rain and wind, algae is formed in water within in a week. But still, the maintenance work is handled with a well thought over plan involving six to seven staff members with honesty."

The swanky car of Vishnuvardhan is the new attraction at the Memorial, that is already adorned with several attractions like — *Kadaga* (the trademark wristlet of the actor) in the centre of the pond, with the seven-feet tall life-size statue of Vishnuvardhan, sculpted by renowned sculptor Arun Yogiraj in black stone in the backdrop and over 600 rare photos of the actor exhibited in a gallery. A cinema hall with seating capacity for 230 audience, makes the Memorial complete.

According to a staff at the Memorial "The daily footfalls at the Memorial is not less than 1,000 which doubles during weekend and Sundays. It is open from 9 am to 5 pm daily and entry is free."

'Relax poll code norms for managing drought situation'

Priyank Kharge

Bengaluru, May 12 (KMS&BS)- The State Government has requisitioned Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, to give exemption from Model Code of Conduct (MCC) to convene a meeting to discuss about the management of drought and drinking water related situations and to address them.

Owing to the failure of monsoon and pre-monsoon rain last year, 223 taluks in the State were declared drought hit, with the complaints related to lack of water and fodder in those taluks. The situation is similar this year too and hence it is imperative to take up relief works in those taluks.

"Moreover, the elections to 28 Lok Sabha Constituencies in the State has concluded in two phases, but the Code of Conduct is effective till June 6. Hence, considering the imperativeness, the poll code norms should be relaxed for taking up the above mentioned works on a urgent note," explained Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge, in his letter.

"Soon after the Code of Conduct came into effect, we (Government) have not undertaken any development and relief works. The District Administration was also busy in poll duty. In the meantime, several issues have cropped up, but we cannot intervene. There is no dearth of funds for the management of drought situation, with even the District Administration having adequate funds, with only relief works left to be taken up," he stated.

As per the forecast of India Meteorological Department (IMD), the monsoon is likely to be delayed this year too, with drinking water related issues already reported in all the taluks of the State. It is essential to provide potable water for people and livestock alike for the next two months. In this wake, approval should be given for the Minister concerned to conduct a meeting and implement the decisions taken at the meeting, the State Government has requested the Chief Electoral Officer.

Obituary

Venkobarao

Mysuru, May 12 - Venkobarao (74), a resident of Vani Vilas Layout in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, passed away following a heart attack this morning in city.

He leaves behind his wife Sakkubai, two sons, daughters-in-law, grand-children and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Manchegowdanakoppal Burial Grounds this afternoon.

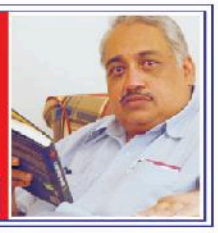
Srirangamma

Srirangamma (74), wife of late Papaiah and a resident of Durgadevi Temple Street in Gandhinagar, passed away yesterday early morning in city.

She leaves behind children Kalarani, Raju, Geetha and Shyam and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Adijambava Burial Grounds in Gandhinagar yesterday afternoon.

Over a cup of evening Tea



By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

Eating a little longer and sleeping a little later!

These days we find that almost all our cities have changed a lot from what they were until just a generation ago, with more and more people taking to congregating and eating late into the nights. But the restrictions and restraints that used to operate on the activities of citizens in public, have continued to remain unchanged over a century, without evolving with the fast-changing times.

While in the past, almost all working people used to work by day and sleep by night, except for factory workers who worked in shifts, these days, a good chunk of our working citizens work round-the-clock, like the latter. This is particularly true of all our software technocrats who while residing within the country, work for firms outside, where the sun rises and sets at times vastly different from the times it does here.

Depending on their needs to keep their lives going by the standards and goals they have set for themselves, while they certainly earn a lot more money, they lose the great boon of being awake by day and sleeping by night, as ordained by their biological clocks. And they do this while their counterparts who work for firms within our own country, work by day and sleep by night, like how normal human beings are meant to work and sleep, while being content to earn a lot less.

It is a strange and also a sad irony of our lives that while almost all of us look at the former with awe and envy too, as the lucky few who have better futures spread out for them, we look upon the latter as the not so lucky ones, who have missed the flights to greater prosperity.

But I feel that this is actually a very lop-sided view, taking into account the fact that to gain something inordinately greater, you have to invariably lose something, inordinately greater. And, while the gains are, an enormously augmented wealth and a life of great opulence for all those who are after it, the downside is a loss of freely available friends and relatives, the free time and tranquillity to enjoy that accumulated wealth, until after the person retires from work and an entire lifetime spent in paying off inordinately long-term mortgages.

FOOD STREET ON LALITHA MAHAL ROAD: ***Mysuru boasts of many fast food joints and this prominent street attracts hundreds of foodies till around 11 pm daily.***

BUN UNCLE ON NIGHT ROUNDS: ***S.A. Manjunath, who goes around the city from 12 in the midnight to 7 in the morning on his two-wheeler, selling hot cups of tea, coffee and buns.*** *[SOM dated Feb. 16, 2020]*

If you look at it, this whole business of keeping our working and resting schedules synced with those of the Western and European world, is a very strange and sad thing too, because while we are forced to lose our sleep and work, those who provide the employment for us, ensure that they get their sleep at the right time, in the right measure, according to their own circadian rhythm. It is only because we need work to keep our lives going and they are the ones who provide it to us, that we have to put up with this inconvenience.

Considering the fact that those employers are as much in need of our services as we are in need of employment, I wonder why we have not tried any leverage, all these years, to reverse the trend and tell them that we will work according to our time zone while they can make the necessary adjustments to adapt to it. Sounds strange, doesn't it? I am hoping to see the day this happens and I'm sure it'll happen very soon only if the Indian government makes up its mind to let the world know that we have arrived too! And, considering where we stand today, shoulder to shoulder with the rest of the world, on par with it in every way, it shouldn't be very difficult.

Now coming to the plight of those of our countrymen who work late into the nights, here in our country, for whatever reasons, among the few other inconveniences, they are being forced to put up with, the paramount is the problem of not being able to find eateries and restaurants that remain open throughout the night, where they can quickly grab a morsel whenever they find themselves hungry. The latest that they can do this now, is close to 11 pm or just a wee bit later, when all eateries, restaurants and food carts are forced to wind up their business by government legislation.

I am told that this has been relaxed quite a bit but I have not seen it in practice, at least here in our city. I say this because I regularly see hungry night shift workers and passengers, who alight hungry from trains and buses that arrive in the city at night and who crowd around roadside food carts, being shooed away mercilessly by the patrolling Police personnel who drive around at night, doing their assigned duties. I feel sad to see these hungry people, who have nowhere to go in the middle of the night to sate their hunger or even to find a loaf of bread with a cup of coffee or tea, desperately pleading with the Police to be allowed a few minutes to pick up something to eat!

And, that is why, I think our authorities should earnestly consider relaxing the presently operating curfew hours and allow all roadside eateries and restaurants, except bars, that are located in commercial places and around our bus and train stations, to continue to peacefully ply their trade throughout the night too.

Needless to say, this relaxation would be worthwhile to mitigate the sufferings of people who feel hungry at night and seek to find some food at odd hours, for whatever reason. Since these food outlets will not be serving liquor, there is no way their customers would be disturbing peace in the neighbourhood, by creating any kind of commotion and nuisance.

And, since these days, our roads are no longer deserted and lonely like in the past, with many people being present at almost all commercial places even late at night, there will be no threat to the safety of any individuals.

If this does not seem very feasible or practicable, the government should at least establish food complexes at convenient locations in all cities, where restaurants are allowed to remain open round-the-clock, on all days, so that people in need of food at odd hours, can head there and have their fill without any difficulty.

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City NCC cadet bags Gold in R-Day event

M.S. Harshitha

Mysuru, May 12 (BS)- M.S. Harshitha, a National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadet belonging to Land Army-1, Karnataka Battalion, has secured Gold Medal in the cultural competition organised on account of 75th Republic Day celebrations at New Delhi.

A 2nd year BA student at SBRR Mahajana First Grade College, Harshitha is the daughter of N. Hemalatha, a computer operator at Mysore University and M. Shivamurthy, a businessman, residents of Saraswathipuram.

Dr. Captain M.R. Indrani, a Professor in English and Associate NCC Officer, Mahajana College and Srinidhini, Office Commanding Lieutenant Colonel, guided Harshitha throughout her rigorous training levels.

Harshitha, a multi-talented student since her childhood, has won several District-level and State-level competitions in sports, cultural events including Dasara and Pratibha Karanji.

She is practicing Bharatanatyam and Karate since the age of six and has passed Senior Exam conducted by Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB). As a karateka, she took part in Open Tournament at Calicut, Kerala and gave a demo on tiles breaking at the age of 13. She was in Class 8, when she won two Silver Medals in Kumite and Kata at International Martial Arts.

Secures 123rd rank in IFS exam

Mysuru, May 12 (BS)- Chandrabhushan of the city has secured 123rd rank in Indian Forest Service (IFS) exam-2023 by UPSC. A BE (Civil) graduate with MBA (HR), Chandrabhushan, currently serving as Assistant Engineer at Karnataka Water Resources Department, is the son of H.S. Nagabhushana and Dr. M.S. Yashodha couple of Vijayanagar II Stage in Mysuru.

Chandrabhushan

Nagabhushana is a retired Executive Engineer (Civil), Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) while Dr. Yashodha retired as Senior Surgeon.

MCC takes up rain relief work on a war-footing

Mysuru, May 12 (RK, MTY, BLU, MK & KS)- With a heavy rain forecast, accompanied by thunder, lightning and gusty winds until May 19, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has initiated rain relief efforts across the city on an urgent basis.

This includes clearing blocked drains, trimming dangerously dangling tree branches, removing dried branches, and addressing trees that have fallen due to previous inclement weather.

Equipped with earthmoving machines, power saws, trimming machines, jetting machines and other tools, MCC staff are actively addressing weak, hollow and fallen trees, as well as removing hazardous branches that pose a threat to public safety.

Additionally, efforts are underway to clear blocked drains that hinder the smooth flow of rainwater to lakes.

These residents suffer the most

While many welcome the sight of dark clouds as a harbinger of rain, residents of Kanakagiri, Gundurao Nagar, Madhuvana Layout, Aishwarya Layout, Ananda Nagar and other low-lying areas have a different reaction. For them, the appearance of rain clouds instils fear and

anxiety. For these residents, rainy days bring about sleepless nights as they struggle to prevent rainwater from inundating their homes. Particularly hard-hit are the residents of Kanakagiri 1st, 5th and 6th Cross (MCC Ward No. 54), who endure the worst of monsoon woes.

Even those in Madhuvana Layout, Aishwarya Layout, Ananda Nagar and Kumbarakoppal, residing in areas prone to flooding, brace themselves for the inevitable task of water removal.

Water inside homes

Despite their efforts to block entryways with sandbags and plywood, sheer force of water often overwhelms these makeshift barriers, seeping into homes.

Consequently, residents find themselves waiting anxiously for the rain to subside before beginning the arduous task of pumping water out of their homes.

In cases of overnight rainfall, the ordeal becomes even more daunting, as residents endure sleepless nights battling both water flowing in from the streets and overflowing drains.

"We not only have to contend with removing rainwater from our homes but also deal with sewage water from overflowing drains and manholes that seeps into our houses, filling them with a foul stench," residents said.

"While everyone else may rejoice at the sight of rain, for us, it spells trouble. Over the past few days of rain, we've faced severe difficulties. Ironically, none of the officials, staff or our elected representatives seem interested in visiting our area to address the problem," lamented the residents of Kanakagiri.

Residents air angst

Meanwhile, a resident of Ananda Nagar expressed frustration, stating that despite assurances of widening the narrow storm water drain in the area, only its height was increased, rendering it ineffective in preventing rainwater from inundating homes. Consequently, the roads still resemble swimming pools during heavy rains.

In Kumbarakoppal, several houses in low-lying areas were submerged in rainwater, causing damage to household items. Residents were observed drying their soaked belongings in the sun and tirelessly removing water from their homes.

The residents have appealed to the authorities to take immediate action to prevent rainwater intrusion into their homes and to devise a permanent solution to address rain-related issues.

Heavy rain predicted in Mysuru, Mandya, Kodagu till May 19

Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a forecast for heavy rainfall accompanied by thunder, lightning and winds with speeds ranging from 50 to 60 kilometres per hour in Mysuru, Mandya and Kodagu until May 19.

According to the weather department, these districts are expected to receive approximately 250 mm of rainfall during this period. Additionally, Chamarajanagar district is predicted to receive around 125 mm to 150 mm of rainfall.

Given the IMD's warning of heavy rains and gusty winds, it is imperative for the District Administrations of Mysuru, Mandya, Kodagu and Chamarajanagar to promptly implement preventive measures to mitigate rain-related issues.

Special Drive of Revenue Services in district from May 13 to 27: DC

Mysuru, May 12 (BS)- A 15-day Special Drive of Revenue Services will be conducted to provide various services of Revenue Department in a speedy manner and to dispose off the pending cases under the purview of Village Administrative Officers (VAOs) in all the taluks of the district.

This follows the directions of Deputy Commissioner (DC) on May 9 and the people are told to make use of the opportunity. Several specific instructions have been issued to the officers in this regard, as follows:

Tahsildars have to prepare a list of cases pending with VAOs in their limits and respective VAOs shall prepare a schedule and visit every villages from May 13 to 27 from 9.30 am to 2 pm. During their visit, VAOs have to provide services related to Aadhaar seeding, National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) applications, payment of pending compensation, application for Pouthi Khata among others.

Field visits should be conducted at the same villages from 2.30 pm to 6 pm to address the queries related to pending cases like that of Land Beat Application, Bagar Hukum, Drought Relief, Rain Damage, Revenue Village and Natural Disaster among several other grievances.

The respective Revenue Inspectors (RI) should be used as a bridge between Taluk Office and VAOs for this Special Drive of Revenue Services.

Tahsildars should inspect the daily progress of VAOs and submit the progress report in a prescribed format on the same day to the DC. Tashildars should take the leadership of this Special Drive of Revenue Services and review the progress through Google Meet daily to confirm the participation of public.

Once in a week, the physical meeting should be conducted at Taluk Office in the afternoon and review the progress of the Special Drive and take steps for speedy disposal of pending applications related to differences in columns 3 & 9 in Pahani and Mojani applications (online access to land records).

The Special Drive taken up at VAO level is planned in the interest of the public to provide the services of Revenue Department in a speedy way. It is purely administrative drive and has been instructed to discharge the duty responsibly by ensuring that the Model Code of Conduct is not violated. Tahsildars should submit *Nadavali* (Meeting Minutes) after conducting a meeting with VAOs once in a week along with supervising the daily report and submitting them in a prescribed format. A progress review meeting on the Special Drive of Revenue Services should be conducted by Deputy Commissioner once in a week.

VAOs, who show better progress in the drive, will be suitably encouraged, while the disciplinary action will be taken against those who fail to show progress.

The information related to timely instructions will be shared in WhatsApp groups and the officers should follow the instructions to ensure the success of this Special Drive.

WORD OF THE DAY

Bogart

Pronunciation: BOH-gahrt (Verb).
Meaning: To bogart something is to use or consume it without sharing.
Origin: The legendary film actor Humphrey Bogart was known for playing a range of tough characters in a series of films throughout the 1940s and 1950s, including The Maltese Falcon, Casablanca, and The African Queen. The men he portrayed often possessed a cool, hardened exterior that occasionally let forth a suggestion of romantic or idealistic sentimentality. Bogart also had a unique method of smoking cigarettes in these pictures — letting the butt dangle from his mouth without removing it until it was almost entirely consumed. It is believed that this habit inspired the current meaning of bogart, which was once limited to the phrase "Don't bogart that joint," as popularised by a song on the soundtrack to the film Easy Rider. Today, bogart can be applied to hogging almost anything.
Example: "Producers of individual shows should not be allowed to shape any content but their own; otherwise, the telecast winds up being hijacked by beamed-in celebrities singing songs from terrible musicals no one's yet seen. And as for those stage-swarming investors? Let's ban them too. The awards they bogart belong to the authors." —Jesse Green, The New York Times, 2 June 2021.

THE ODD WORD

Frippery

Clothing or finery that's seen as frivolous or foolish

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Put a Sock in It

Meaning: The phrase 'Put a Sock in It' is an impolite way of telling someone to be quiet.
Origin: The origin of 'put a sock in it' is early 20th century Britain. The earliest example of the term in print is a definition that was printed in the weekly literary review The Athenaeum in 1919: "The expression 'Put a sock in it,' meaning 'Leave off talking, singing, or shouting'." Because the term is being defined in this example, it is believed that the idiom was coined sometime in 1919 or perhaps a year or two before that.
Example: "Put a sock in it! Some of us are trying to work around here."

QUOTE BOX

Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever. **—Napoleon Bonaparte**

RIDDLE THIS

Why is Europe like a frying pan?

Answer: Because it has Greece at the bottom.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Voice of America, in short
4 ___ Ki Khatir : "Just for you" in Hindi or Urdu?
7 Lump
10 Wading bird
12 ___ Forests : the lion sanctuary in Gujarat?
13 Part of a day
15 Zither-like medieval instrument
17 "Raze" anagram for the poet Pound's name?
18 U.S. Steamship
19 Strides
20 Texas shrine
23 Widespread
25 Means of moving water
26 Mistakes
29 Arafat's gp.
30 Gentle handling, initially
31 Cry of delight
33 Goanna or gecko
36 Flows back
37 Single entity
38 2010 & 2011 Ballon d'Or winner
39 Core
42 Spoil
43 Able was I, ___ __ saw Elba ? (3,1)
44 Revenue
49 Grape brandy
50 Large, abbr.
51 "To be" in Paris?
52 Fifth note of the scale
53 Chic or fashionable
54 Female bird

DOWN
1 In short a bigwig?
2 Obsolete, in short
3 Aerospace Industries Assoc.
4 A long time
5 Tune
6 Peer or be nosey
7 Poor quarter
8 Drain slowly
9 Relief of stomach gas, especially for a babe in arms
11 A fall in trade
14 An Ethiopian prince
16 Tech. Std. Order
19 Part of the erstwhile Soviet Union, abbr.
20 Smartphone program
21 Calm interval
22 Mine, in Aix
23 Open grassland in South Africa
24 Pendulum's path
27 Pilfers
28 Weeps or cries
30 Numerical prefix
32 Horizontal Situation Indicator
34 City in Switzerland
35 As industrious as an ____?
36 Weird
38 Male person
39 Sew the edge of clothing
40 Epochs
41 Prefix meaning `to do with aircraft'
42 TV's talking horse (2,2)
44 Hardwood tree
45 Some time past
46 To the ___ degree : to the ultimate degree?
47 Grad. Rec. Exam.
48 A Japanese copper coin

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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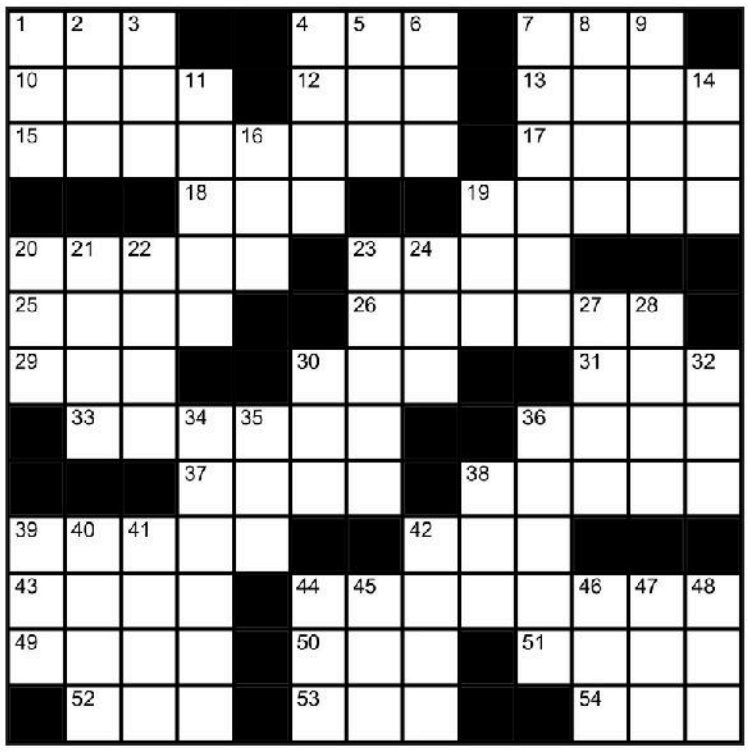

SUDOKU

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	4			3	2		7	
4	8					2		
	3						5	
		2					4	6
	5		3	4			2	
		9	8					7
				1			6	

Answer to previous puzzle

3	6	1	5	4	9	2	7	8
7	9	4	8	6	2	5	1	3
5	8	2	1	7	3	9	6	4
2	5	7	6	1	4	3	8	9
1	4	6	9	3	8	7	5	2
8	3	9	7	2	5	6	4	1
6	2	5	4	9	1	8	3	7
4	7	3	2	8	6	1	9	5
9	1	8	3	5	7	4	2	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QYCYS SYNIV EAL UEAS VNQG AQKYDD

UEA'SY MBKKBQZ LE YPLYQG NQ NSO.

TODAY'S CLUE: U EQUALS Y

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I don't like jail, they got the wrong kind of bars in there.

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- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Aranmanai 4 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
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- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Star (Ta) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

The Boy & the Heron (Japanese)	(S-1)	11.20 am, 4.20 pm
Grey Games (K)	(S-1)	1.50 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	(S-1)	7 pm, 10 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-2)	10.40 am
Star (Ta)	(S-2)	1 pm, 4.05 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
Marivillin Gopurangal (Ma)	(S-2)	10.05 pm
Alaikyaa (K)	(S-3)	10.55 am
Power (K)	(S-3)	1.15 pm
Srikanth (H)	(S-3)	4.30 pm, 7.10 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Kingdom of the planet of Apes (E)	(S-4)	10.35 am, 1.25 pm, 4.15 pm 7.10 pm, 10.05 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	1.10 pm, 7 pm
Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	:	1.10 pm, 4 pm 6.45 pm, 9.25 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	1.25 pm, 4.05 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	:	4.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	:	7.05 pm
Grey Games (K)	:	7.05 pm

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Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	:	10 am, 1.05 pm, 4.10 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Srikanth (H)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 4.25 pm 7 pm, 10.15 pm
Star (Ta)	:	11.45 am, 3.05 pm 6.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	12.30 pm
Prathinidhi 2 (Te)	:	12.55 pm, 9.15 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	3.40 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	3.50 pm
Ajaniputra (K)	:	4 pm
Grey Games (K)	:	6.35 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	:	7.25 pm
Marivillin Gopurangal (Ma)	:	10 pm

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Srikanth (H)	:	10 am, 1.15 pm, 3.40 pm 7.15 pm, 10 pm
Kingdom of the Planet of Apes (E)	:	10.05 am, 12 noon, 3.10 pm 6.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.30 pm
Star (Ta)	:	1 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.30 pm
4n6 (K)	:	1.05 pm
Anjaniputra (K)	:	4.15 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	:	4.20 pm, 10.15 pm
*Power *** (K)*	:	6.40 pm

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 12)

- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, near KSRTC Sub-urban Bus Stand, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Ajjana Mane - Kala Prapancha:** Sri Shankara Namana, inauguration, **3.30 pm;** Pancha Veena Recital by Vidu. Geetha Shyamprakash of Keshava College of Music and Dance, Bengaluru, accompanied by Vidu. Shubhang Samaga (Mysuru) on mridanga and Vid. T.S. Ajay (Mysuru) on ghata, **4 pm;** Dance feature 'Soundarya Lahari Vilasa' of Sri Shankaracharya by The Centre for Divine Arts, Bengaluru, **5 pm;** Lecture on 'Lokashankara' by Vid. Narayana Desai, **6.45 pm;** Dance feature 'Shankaram Lokashankaram' by Nrityalaya trust, Mysuru, directed by Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra, Ganabharathi's Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7.15 pm.**
- **Mysuru City and District Brahmana Sangha:** Adi Jagadguru Sri Shankaracharya and Sri Ramanujacharya Jayanti celebrations, Mysuru City and District Brahmana Sangha President D.T. Prakash, Rural President Gopal Rao, Hoysala Karnataka Sangha President K.R. Satyanarayan, Vipra Mahila Sangama President Lakshmi, Mysuru District Brahmin Yuva Vedike President H.N. Sridharamurthy, Vipra leader M.R. Balakrishna and others chief guests, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **4 pm.**
- **Hosa Belaku:** A total of 26 singers will render 32 songs originally sung by Dr. Rajkumar, Dr. Puneeth Rajkumar and Dr. S.P. Balasubramaniam, Jaganmohan Palace auditorium, **4 pm.** [Entry is free]
- **Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha:** Sri Shankara Bhagavatpadara Jayantyotsava and 45th anniversary celebrations, Karnatak Classical Music by Vidu. Sudha Manjunath and troupe, Sabha premises, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Mysore School of Architecture (MSA):** Valedictory of 'Namma MSA Habba,' two-day decennial celebrations, KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa chief guest, L.K. Memorial Charitable Trust Managing Trustee J.N. Prashanth and Trustee Dr. K.V. Lakshmi Devi will be present, MSA premises, University Layout, Dattagalli, **5 pm.**
- **Ramakrishna-Sarada Devi Vipra Vrinda:** Shankara Jayanti celebrations, inauguration of profession by Avadhoota Datta Peetham-Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram Junior Pontiff Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Circle, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Yukteshanandaji speaks on 'Srimate Sarada Devi,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Heritage House:** 12th open-air cinema screening - movie 'Bahadur: The Brave,' live discussion with movie director Diwa Shah, Heritage House Courtyard, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 97411-73094]
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Aa Mani,' written by Keertinatha Kurtakoti, directed by Manjunatha Badigera, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, (3 Shows) **7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.** [Note: If rain or wind persists shows will be cancelled]

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 13)

- **Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha:** Sri Shankara Bhagavatpadara Jayantyotsava and 45th anniversary, Rudrabhisheka, Shodashopachara Puja, Sahasranamarchane, **9.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, Rajarshivada and Prasada Viniyoga, **11.30 am;** Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Pooja Sugam, disciple and daughter of Dr. Kripa Phadke, Sabha premises, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**
- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **CSIR - Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI):** National Technology Day 2024 celebrations, Arjun Ranga, Partner of NR Groups and CEO & Managing Director of N. Ranga Rao & Sons Pvt. Ltd., Mysuru, chief guest, Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, presides, Dr. Aashitosh A. Inamdar, Head, Technology Transfer & Business Development (TTBD) Department, CSIR-CFTRI, speaks about National Technology Day, Cheluvamba Hall (Assembly Hall), CSIR-CFTRI premises, **4 pm.** [Mob: 94801-66385]

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Star (Ta)	:	11.30 am, 2.50 pm, 6.50 pm
*Power *** (K)*	:	1.05 pm
Anjaniputra (K)	:	4.25 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	6.10 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	7.25 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	:	10.10 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	10.20 pm

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Srikanth (H)	:	10.10 am, 1.10 pm, 4.15 pm 7.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Star (Ta)	:	10.15 am, 4.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Krishnamma (Te)	:	10.20 am, 7.05 pm
4n6 (K)	:	1.15 pm
Ramana Avatara (K)	:	1.35 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	4.10 pm
Grey Games (K)	:	4.30 pm
Marivillin Gopurangal (Ma)	:	7.10 pm
Prathinidhi 2 (Te)	:	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Free Homeopathy Medical Camp

Mysuru, May 12- A Free Homeopathy Medical Camp has been organised by the Mysore's Kevalin Charitable Trust (Supported by Dr. Manu's Homoeopathic Clinic) at Ranga Rao Memorial School of Differently Abled on KRS Road in Metagalli, Mysuru, on May 14 from 9 am to 1 pm.

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2	TGT's	21st May, 2024
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